

MAIL A BIT LATE? W. S. S. SALES GAIN

If your morning mail was delivered a little later than usual today, don't complain. It probably indicated that your carrier had entered with a vim into the War Savings Stamps selling contest, under the auspices of The Times, which was officially launched yesterday, and plans to win one of the twenty-one cash prizes, totaling \$500, which have been offered. D. J. Callahan, director of the local War Savings Committee, believes that on the evening of September 20, when the contest will close, returns will indicate at least \$500,000 total sale of these Government securities.

While figures for the opening day are not available, it is known that a number of large sales were made, and also that every one of the 330 carriers and collectors attached to the Washington city postoffice is an active competitor. This is in face of the fact that every carrier yesterday, in addition to his regular duties, was engaged in the distribution of thousands of draft registration notices, and consequently was unable to give such attention to the sale of war stamps as would otherwise have been possible.

A formidable competitor is Riley G. Spiker, a carrier in the business section. In previous contests, Mr. Spiker earned the title of "Champion W. S. S. Salesman." He sold stamps yesterday to the value of \$250. In previous contests of this character he has been a frequent prize winner. Recently he established the unique record of selling stamps to the value of \$1,000 each—the limit under the law which a single individual may hold—to nineteen persons on his route, bringing his total sales to \$40,252.54.

The plan of dividing the contestants into three distinct groups, according to the class of work they perform, with separate prizes for each class, pieces all on an equal footing. The collector or carrier in a residential section will not be forced to compete with such "heavyweights" as Carrier Spiker and his associates in the business section.

Superintendent of Carriers Schooley arranged for the opening of two windows at the city postoffice today from which the carriers will be supplied with stamps.

MUST PAY BY NOV. 30

Saturday, November 30, is the date set by the District War Savings Committee to end the period in which all arrearages on War Savings Stamps pledges should be paid. By that time all pledges should be fully executed with the exception only of promised December purchases.

This action comes as the result of a careful check made on the pledge cards through the designated selling agencies. Many delinquents have been found, and the next two months will be devoted to bringing them to a realization of the necessity for fulfilling their promises. What action will be taken between November 30 and December 31, the closing date of the 1918 War Savings campaign, on the remaining unredeemed pledges will be determined later.

WAR LEGISLATION PREVENTS RECESS

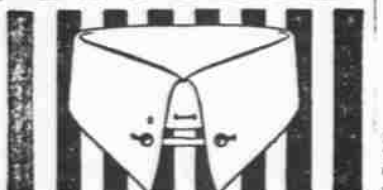
Hopes of the House of Representatives for a long recess following the passage of the big revenue bill have been blasted.

Speaker Champ Clark today said there is no chance for a recess now. Congressman John Garner of Texas, who fathered the recess plan, admitted that hopes of members getting home to do a bit of campaigning were exceedingly slim.

The most important bills are the new deficiency bill, which will be finished as soon as the Appropriation Committee can get estimates from the War Department on the sum necessary to carry out the new army program, and the emergency power bill, which has the support of the War Industries Board and the War Department.

KAISER VISITS KRUPPS.

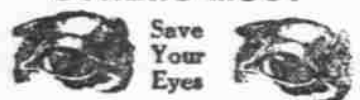
THE HAGUE, Sept. 11.—The Kaiser has just paid a visit to the Krupp gun works at Essen, according to information from Berlin today.



LION ROLL
A SUMMER ROLL COLLAR
WITH
LINK AND BUTTONS

Lion Collars
OLDEST BRAND IN AMERICA
UNITED SHIRT & COLLAR CO. TROT, N. Y.

PAIOTIS 18 to 45 REGISTER THURSDAY
WILL REGISTER SEPT. 12
OTHERS MUST



The wise man does not *change* his habits with the times. Show your wisdom by changing your glasses whenever necessary. A graduate optometrist of 15 years devotes his entire time to the eyes exclusively.

QUALITY OPT. CO.,
438 9th N. W.

Blank Books
Office Supplies
Carbon Paper
Typewriter Paper
Quick delivery—lowest prices.
BAUM Paper and Stationery Co.
905 7th St. Opposite Goldberger's
Telephone Main 7226

Germany's New Style Gas Shells Only Make New Zealanders Laugh

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Sept. 11.—The Germans are using a new type of gas shells. They were first employed against the New Zealanders, when salvos were fired at short range. Several hundred projectiles, the size of oranges, rained thick over an area of about two acres.

According to the army report they "gave off gas and burned the grass."

Apparently the first experiment was a failure, and the New Zealanders were only amused at what they termed the "fruit barrages."

ROCKS STRANGELY BOMBARD HOUSE

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Sept. 11.—The constant bombing of the home of John W. Fox, near the Brick Church in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountain above Luray, with volleys of rocks that come from all directions, and the failure to ascertain the cause of the fusillades has suggested to the mind of Mr. Fox and some of his neighbors that some supernatural power is involved in the mysterious affair.

The source of the rocks baffles all efforts to find out how they are propelled although depressions in the ground from where the rocks are taken are visible, and it is the opinion of some residents of the neighborhood that they are thrown by a human agency.

As a result of the mystery, the entire Fox household is in a state of fear and consternation. Their home has been damaged, nearly all of the window lights having been broken by the rocks. Thomas Webster, a neighbor, who volunteered to make an investigation of the rock-throwing, while on his way home was greeted with a shower of rocks at his own gate. A volley of rocks of various sizes fell around him, but he was not struck.

The rocks vary in size from a walnut to a man's fist, and they are always thrown in the daytime. The fact that the rocks come from practically every direction toward the Fox home mystifies the members of the Fox household and their neighbors. They are hurled with such force and at such angles as almost to compel conviction that the power behind them is other than human. This is the belief of such men as Samuel Bateman, James Wood, Thomas Webster, and Edward Seal, reputed to be all good men and true.

No revengeful or childish prank is believed to be responsible for the rock throwing, as every clue suggesting either source has been ferreted out only to run the affair into a deeper mystery. The apparently intangible agency behind the matter is not only causing alarm among members of the Fox household, but with those who have witnessed the showers of rocks descend upon the house. The affair has continued for a week and shows no signs of abating.

TURK-BULGAR ROW NEARING OPEN WAR

Turkey has sent a large force to the border of Bulgaria, where trouble is brewing over a division of territorial spoils of war between these two allies of Germany and Austria-Hungary. The information comes through a source that is usually reliable.

Revolutionary spirit is rife in the Bulgarian army and among the civilian population. It is reported that the Bulgarians are trying to get all of Serbia and even a part of Austria.

TRAINS COLLIDE; 12 DEAD, 10 HURT

ALLIANCE, Neb., Sept. 11.—Twelve persons were killed and ten injured when a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy passenger train collided with a work train yesterday at a siding near here. Confusion over the change from central to mountain time was believed to be the cause.

YANKS MAY GET CHRISTMAS GIFTS

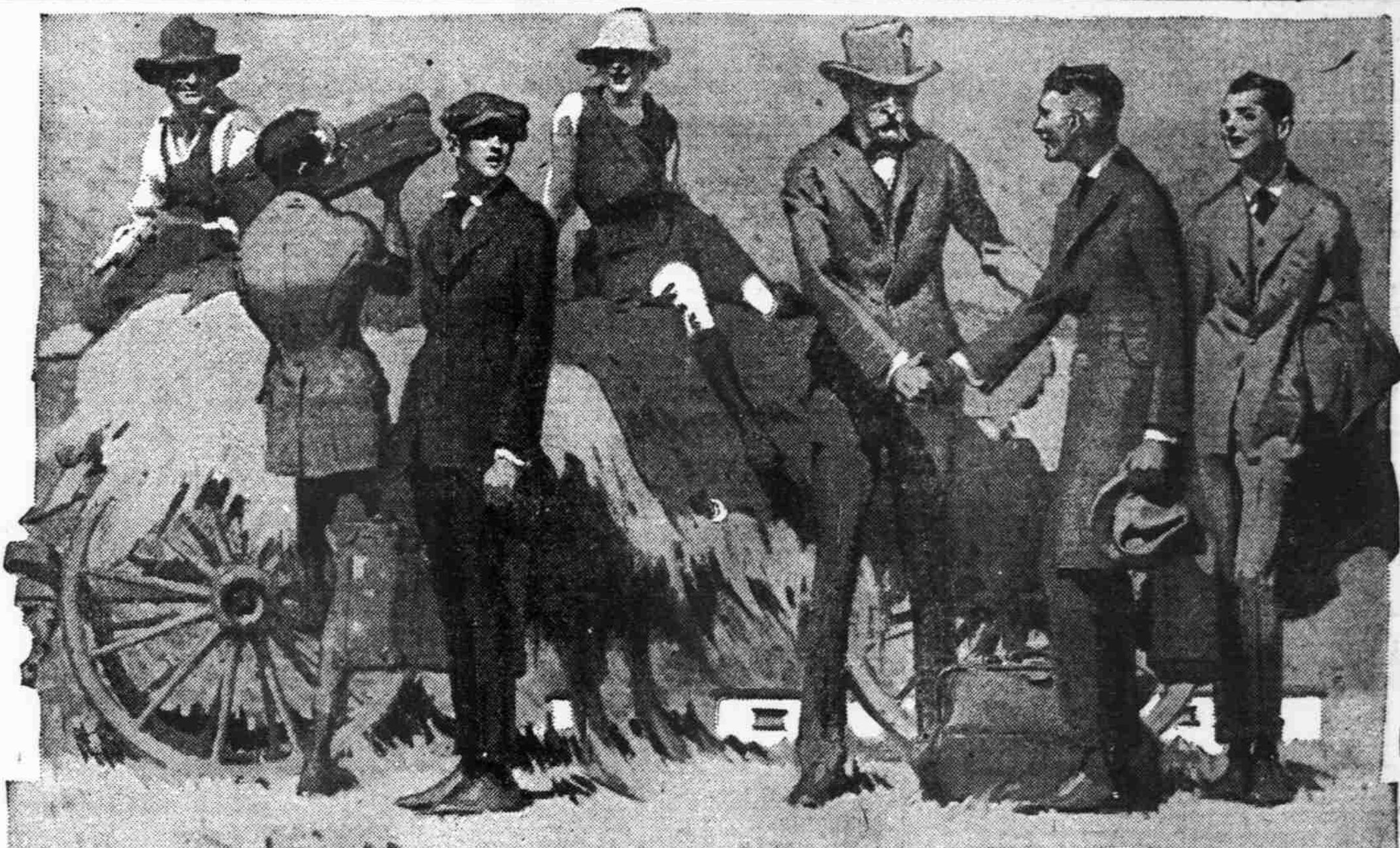
Christmas gifts for soldiers will be shipped this year, according to present indications.

The whole question, however, of continuing the practice, limiting the quantity, or eliminating gifts entirely, is now before General Pershing, it became known today.

The War Department has assigned an officer whose sole duty is to straighten out this problem. While details are not available, it was said officially that the War Department that present indications are the Yanks will get their gifts. As the force is far greater than last, this practice would mean the use of a tremendous tonnage. Hence, it is quite probable that some scheme of reducing the size of packages will be enforced, provided General Pershing does not counsel eliminating the gift altogether.

War Department authorities in touch with the situation believe that the stimulation of morale, resulting from remembrance of the folk at home, will be sufficient to warrant taking even the much needed tonnage such a course requires.

PORTUGAL RATIONS BREAD.
LISBON, Sept. 11.—Food restrictions are being forced in Portugal. Bread is to be rationed at 400 grammes daily per person.



Copyright, 1918, Hart Schaffner & Marx

Back to school after serving on the farm

Do you save or waste on clothes?

THE ANSWER to that question is—You do; one or the other; save or waste. We can tell you how to do one and not the other; save, not waste.

Every patriotic man wants to serve in any and every way he can; there are ways to serve even in the matter of clothes-buying.

- 1 Dont buy any if you have clothes that will do; some men have plenty.
- 2 Take such care of your clothes; keep them cleaned, pressed, hung up carefully when not in use; make them last longer.
- 3 If you find it necessary to buy, be sure of good quality; get clothes that last long and look well, so that next season you wont need to buy new ones.

You'll save money, labor, materials; three things the nation needs. Our clothes are made to do it.

Hart Schaffner & Marx

Good Clothes Makers

You'll find here the quality that saves because it lasts, Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes

Raleigh Haberdasher Woodward & Lothrop
1109-11 Pennsylvania Ave. N. W. Incorporated